



# Henry County, Virginia

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## Henry County Monthly Newsletter

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#### **Nominations being accepted for 2009 Jack Dalton Award**

Nominations for the ninth annual "Jack Dalton Community Service Award" are being accepted through November 30.

The award will go to the Henry County resident who best demonstrates the exemplary community service that marked Dalton's years of public service. Dalton served as a member of the Henry County Board of Supervisors for more than 24 years, and was serving as the Board Chairman at the time of his death on May 24, 2000.

Nominations are due by November 30 at 5 p.m. The award's recipient will be recognized at the Board of Supervisors' night meeting on December 15.

Nominations should be based on the candidates' personal volunteer efforts and active involvement in helping promote the quality of life in Henry County. Personal financial contributions to any individual project are not relevant considerations for the award. Nominees must have performed the service for which they are being nominated within the calendar year 2008.

Nomination forms are available at the County Administration Building on Kings Mountain Road or can be downloaded from [www.henrycountyva.gov](http://www.henrycountyva.gov). All nominations must be submitted on the nominating form.

The Henry County Board of Supervisors will review the nominations and select this year's recipient. Dr. Calvin Rains won the inaugural presentation in 2001, followed by Bill Adkins in 2002, Clay Campbell in 2003, Mary McGee in 2004, Charlie Bradshaw in 2005, Bob Petty in 2006, the Rev. Thurman Echols in 2007, and Nancy Bradshaw in 2008.

#### **Veterans Day Service set for Sunday**

The community's annual Veterans Day Service to thank those who have served their country will be held Sunday, November 8, at the National Guard Armory. The event will begin at 2 p.m. and the public is encouraged to attend.

More than 15 community groups have joined together this year to present this event. It will include the presentation of the "Veteran of the Year" Award, as selected by a committee of the three most immediate past recipients and this year's keynote speaker. It also will include the first-ever presentation of Henry County's "Outstanding Military Veteran" Award, as selected by the Board of Supervisors.

This year's keynote speaker will be CSM (Retired) Russell A. Wilder. CSM Wilder currently is the Senior Army Instructor for the Bassett High School JROTC department. He retired from the U.S. Army in 2000 with 25 years' service, during which he held every job title in the Infantry from Team Leader to Brigade Sergeant Major.

Wilder won numerous medals and awards during his service to his country, including the Legion of Merit.

Among the groups responsible for putting together Sunday's event are the Martinsville-Henry

County Veterans Committee, AMVETS, the Bassett Ruritan Club, BPA Services, Collinsville Jaycees, Disabled American Vets, Homer Dillard Post #78, the Horsepasture Ruritan Club, Pannill Post #42, the Preston Ruritan Club, the Rangeley Ruritan Club, Roselawn Chapel Funeral Home and Burial Park, the Stanleytown Ruritan Club, VFW Post 2820, VFW Post 4637, the Marine Corps League, Henry County, Bassett High School, and Magna Vista High School.

## **Board of Supervisors changes two ordinances**

The Henry County Board of Supervisors voted October 27 to make changes to the County's dog impound ordinance.

The new ordinance is as follows:

*Sec. 5-113. Animal control: Prohibiting dogs from running at large.*

*C. Any dog found running at large whose owner or custodian is not immediately available or apparent shall be captured and placed in the pound. The owner or custodian may reclaim the dog by presenting evidence of ownership and paying the sum of forty dollars (\$40.00) impoundment fee plus seven dollars (\$7.00) for each day of detention. The impoundment fee for subsequent impoundments of the same animal will be eighty dollars (\$80.00). Any dog not reclaimed within the five (5) day holding period, if no identification is on the dog, or ten (10) day holding period, if there is identification on the dog, shall be deemed abandon and become the property of the pound. Such animal may be disposed of as provided by law.*

Questions regarding the impound ordinance should be directed to the County Attorney's Office (276 634-4606) or the Sheriff's Office (276 656-4200).

The Board also recently made changes to the outdoor burning ordinance in Henry County. The new ordinance is as follows:

*Sec. 9-201. Outdoor burning, when prohibited.*

*It shall be unlawful for any person to set fire to, or to procure another to set fire to, any brush, leaves, grass, debris, or field containing dry grass or other inflammable material capable of spreading fire located within three hundred (300) feet of any woodland or brush land, during the period beginning February 15 and ending April 30 of each year, except between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight.*

Changes to the outdoor burning ordinance should be directed to the Department of Public Safety at 276 634-4660.

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